

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration of the application in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks are respectfully requested. Claims 2-36 remain in the present application. Applicants herein amend Claims 2, 5, 9, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 34 and 36, and such amendments are supported in the specification. Claims 1, 37, 38 and 39 have been withdrawn from further consideration.

Claims 37 and 38 have been rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Said claims are rendered indefinite because it is unclear if the molecular weight recited in the claims is the number average molecular weight, weight average molecular weight, viscosity average molecular weight, etc. This rejection has been rendered moot as Claims 35 and 36 have been withdrawn.

Applicants have amended claims 27 and 28 to change "fusing-station" to -fuser- for consistency of language. Claim 26, from which Claims 27 and 28 depend, define the fusing-station roller as a fuser roller, so Claims 27 and 28 have been amended to refer specifically to the latter.


Claims 1-32, 34-36 and 39 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Meguriya (US 6,261,214) in view of Gervasi et al. (US Publication 2002/0102410). Applicants have amended claims 2, 5, 9, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 34 and 36 to depend on claim 33 which has been previously allowed. Since all the remaining claims in the application depend directly or indirectly on allowed Claim 33 it is submitted that all the remaining pending claims are allowable.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants submit all of

Claims 2-36 are in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require anything further, or have any questions, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

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